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RIOTERS FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER

Herbert Wood and Leo Keane, White Men, Given Indeterminate Terms.

Belleville, Ill., Oct. 12.—The first white men to go to trial on charges growing out of the East St. Louis race riots of last July were found guilty by a jury in the circuit court this afternoon. The jury was out two hours. Ten negroes were found guilty last Sunday and each was given an indeterminate sentence of fourteen years. Similar terms of imprisonment were fixed against the two white men found guilty today.

The men convicted today are Herbert Wood and Leo Keane, jointly charged with the murder of Scott Clark, a negro, who died four days after the riot of July 2 as a result of injuries received in the rioting.

The known number of persons slain in the East St. Louis race riots of July 2 is forty-seven. The grand jury that returned the indictments, however, reported that 100 persons were slain by the mobs. It was believed by many investigators that scores of bodies were buried in the flames that destroyed negro homes.

The riots of the day and night of July 2 were the direct result of the work of negro mobs that on the night of July 1 fired into an automobile load of police officers, killing one outright and wounding two, one of whom died later.

The grand jury report stated that the riots were in reality due to the work of agitators working among both negroes and whites and spreading the rumor among members of each race that the other race was arming for a slaughter. The hostility of the whites to the negroes was due largely to a feeling that the presence of a large number of negroes in the city handicapped white workmen in negotiating with capital.

With Co. B at Camp Doniphan.

Editor Times—We arrived at Camp Doniphan on time and are now settled in our new camp. On our arrival here the old Second Missouri Guards passed out of existence and we are now Co. B 108th Machine Gun company, of the 35th division.

Captain Jess Corey, of Nevada, is our new captain. He is about six feet three inches tall and wears a number 12 shoe and would wear a larger one if they made them, and he is just as big hearted as he is large of body. He is certainly a fine officer. He was in command of the Second Regiment Machine Gun company and our company was united with his and we now have about 150 men and they are a fine lot of fellows. All of the first-class privates of the company are transferred to the mule skinner detachment and they are all stuck on their jobs. One of them, Inskeep, fell heir to \$15,000 and when he was offered a furlough to go home and attend to it, he refused, as he did not want to leave the mules. There is a large observation balloon that hangs off in the southeast every morning and the hum of the aeroplane can be heard nearly all the time.

Sunday a party of us went down through the big reservation to the mountain. We came to a cliff about 300 feet high that looked almost straight up and down, but we managed to climb to the top of it and look back over the camp. It was a fine sight. We came near having an accident, as one of the hospital corps men, who was with us, got about half way to the top and struck a place where he could get neither up or down. We finally got some ropes and rescued him from his perilous position. We went down to the river where the boys were seining for fish. There are some very fine fish in the river and it is easy to get them, as the water is only about three feet deep. There is a mighty large coral here which now contains about 2,000 mules and 15,000 horses.

We had a narrow escape from quarantine last week. There is one company, Co. H, of the third Kansas, in quarantine for the measles, and one of our boys, a man named Peterson, who is from Nevada, took the disease. He was removed at once to the post hospital and it is thought that the rest of us will escape it.

Wednesday afternoon we had inspection and as there was no drill we had a ball game and a field meet for each company. The winners of a first place in the meet was entitled to a 24 hour pass and the second to a 12 hour pass, so that you may know that the competition was keen.

The 100 yard dash was won by Sgt. Herrell.

Standing broad jump: Thomas, 8 ft. 1 in.; Grous, 9 ft. 1 in.; Muchmore, 8 ft. 1 in.; Mut Weldon, 9 ft. 4 in.; Herrell and Elbert Chapman tied with 9 ft. 7 in. On the jump off Herrell fouled by backstepping, and Chapman was declared the winner.

Running broad jump: Ed Orear, 13 ft. 2 in.; Muchmore, 14 ft. 7 in.; Pier-

call, 14 ft. 8 1/2 in.; Lynch, 15 ft. 1 1/2 in.; Thomas 14 ft.; Herrell 16 ft. 3 1/2 in.; Morris, 14 ft. 5 in. Herrell winner.

50 yard dash running backwards: Persall, Lynch, Groves, Herrell and Lewis contestants, with Herrell winner.

Running high jump Herrell and Groves tied with 4 ft. 6 in and each of them was given a pass.

We spent the evening at the Y. M. C. A., where a good program was put on. The soldier talent sung songs and put on different kinds of stunts, besides the program gotten up by the Y. M. C. A. people.

The boys from Bates county are all well and feeling fine. XX.

Mrs. Roy M. Burk Dead.

Mrs. Roy M. Burk died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Allison, three miles southwest of this city, Wednesday, October 17, after about a year's illness of a disease of the kidneys and complications.

Louise Allison was born at the home where she died, November 28, 1889. On January 14, 1914, she was united in marriage with Roy M. Burk, to which union was born one daughter, Gladys, who survives. Besides the daughter she is survived by her husband, her parents, two brothers, John Allison, jr., of Ames, Iowa, and James Allison, of Butler.

Last year Mr. Burk sold his farm near this city and moved to Montana, and Mrs. Burk being in bad health she remained at the home of her parents until such time as her health would permit of her going west and joining her husband.

Funeral services, conducted by H. O. Maxey, were held at the Christian church in this city Sunday afternoon and interment made in Oak Hill cemetery.

Notice.

Owing to the fact that I have closed my business at Virginia, all outstanding accounts are now due and payable. Please arrange for settlement not later than Oct. 25th.

W. T. Cochran,
Virginia, Mo.

MISSOURI NOTES.

Herbert Hoover has appointed Rev. A. N. Lindsay chairman of food conservation in Henry county.

J. H. Sanders, of Deepwater, aged 53, was in Clinton Friday and took in his first circus. He has lived in Henry county 49 years.

It is rumored in Harrisonville that the electric light plant in that city will soon be shut down on the account of the high price of coal.

Cape Girardeau will probably have a wet and dry election in the near future. W. C. Shupp, manager of the Missouri Anti-Saloon League, has been in that city several days recently looking over the situation for such a move.

At a special election held in St. Clair county last week to vote on the proposition of compromising the bonded indebtedness of that county, the proposition was defeated by a vote of 746 for and 1250 against. The proposition carried in the Osceola precinct.

On eighty acres of land at the Nevada State Hospital twenty-five tons of broom corn was raised this year, a return in excess of \$100 an acre, broom corn now selling around \$350 a ton. The corn will not be sold on the market however, but will be made up in the hospital broom factory this winter.

Fourteen divorces were granted in one hour and thirty minutes in the Jackson county circuit court one day last week, and more than fifty in four days and the Kansas City papers say that at that rate a dent will hardly be made in the pile that is up for hearing in that county this term of court during the next two weeks.

The gentlemen of the metropolitan press will soon learn that the judge of the Cole county circuit court is not to be fooled with. He has a reporter for a St. Louis paper in jail for contempt of court in refusing to tell

where he got information about what the grand jury had done. Then the managing editor of the same paper is summoned to appear before the court October 20 and show cause why he should not be punished for contempt. Next the Kansas City Star gets into the game and its editor draws a summons to appear on the same day, October 20, and show cause why he also should not be sent to jail for contempt.

Uncle Sam Needs 10,000 Stenographers and Typewriters at Once.

Washington, D. C., October 15, 1917.—Now that Uncle Sam has the young men of the country in training for military service, he finds that he needs 10,000 typewriter operators and stenographers and typewriters, both men and women, for the Department at Washington. The Civil Service Commission has notified all of its 3,000 boards of examiners that they should put forth their best efforts to secure these urgently needed workers. While examinations are now held weekly in 450 cities, the Commission states that arrangements will be made to have an examination held at any accessible place where a small class of applicants can be secured. The entrance salaries range from \$1,000 to \$1,200 a year. Promotion is reasonably rapid to those whose services prove satisfactory. No appointments can be made to these or other positions in the Federal classified civil service unless authorized by the Civil Service Commission under the civil service law. Any information to the contrary is unauthorized. This is a splendid opportunity to serve your country. Full information may be secured from the secretary of the board of civil service examiners at the post office in your city.

Cupid Captures Rainbow Camp.

Camp Mills, N. Y., Oct. 13.—War bride stock has gone up here today. Five weddings have been reported in the Rainbow Division in twenty-four hours. Licenses have been issued for many others.

TO START NEW PAPER

Speed Mosby, Author, Poet, and Lecturer, to Launch State Weekly.

T. S. Mosby, the well-known writer and lecturer has completed arrangements for the launching of a State weekly newspaper. The paper will have a circulation in every voting precinct in the State and will reach every nook and corner of the State. The paper will not appear until sometime in January and the time until then will be utilized to get the kind of circulation that Mr. Mosby requires to carry out his policies. The paper will have no local interest except that it will touch upon all important governmental affairs.

No man in the State is better qualified to conduct such a paper than Speed Mosby, who is known all over Missouri as a strong capable and intellectual writer. Mr. Mosby has written articles for the Atlantic magazine, for Colliers, and for a time was editorial writer on the St. Louis Republic. He has written several books and is a master of the English language.—Democrat-Tribune.

White Sox World's Champions.

The Chicago Club of the American league, were the winners of the base ball championship of the world when they defeated the New York Club, of the National league, in New York Monday. The two first games of the series were won by the Chicago Club on their own grounds last week. From there the clubs went to New York, where the Giants won two games. Then back to Chicago, where the Sox won their third game. The last game was played in New York and the Sox also won that and with it went the championship.

A Nice Bunch of Hogs.

Last week Boone Brandon sold to a local shipper one hundred head of hogs, for which he received \$10 per hundred. The hogs averaged 275 pounds and netted Mr. Brandon a good profit.

High School Notes.

Mr. A. B. Francisco, of Chicago, who is here giving lectures to the business men on business science, addressed us last Thursday. He gave us some very practical ideas. He also invited us to come to his lectures.

Mr. Walter Lynch sang and played for us. He surely made a "hit" with us for we couldn't get enough of his music. Everyone is hoping he will come back again and entertain us.

The first basket ball practices are being held and there will be a game in a few weeks. Butler will always put up a fight to win so you come and help B. H. S. to make this season one of the most successful it has ever had.

Senior Scintillas.

Something about the Big Carnival, which is to take place Oct. 27. It will be a regime of everlasting merriment. Freaks and wonders from the end of the world. Let everyone come. Lose that dull feeling. Be happy; you can't help it. You'll smile, you'll grin, that grin will burst into one continuous side splitting laugh. If you are fat you'll shake all over, if you're thin, your bones will rattle. If you don't laugh you're not human. Take in the sights. Follow the crowd.

Junior Jingles.

Everybody is busy in the basket ball hall and our teams are getting in training for the season's work. Margaret Harper and Vernon Johnson are the Junior representatives for the Athletic Council. The Juniors are finding the study of "The Sir Roger de Coverly Papers" very interesting.

Sophomore Sidelines.

Monday we elected members to the Athletic Council, who were Wendell Hulise and Teresa Howard. We are practicing all we can in the hall.

Freshmen Facts.

We elected members to the Athletic Council, who are Claude Reichel and Pauline Crutsinger. We have chosen purple and gold for our class colors. A few weeks ago the Seniors were feeling proud because they sold the most athletic tickets but now the Freshmen are gay. They contributed more than any other class to the magazine fund.

Debate Club Notes.

The Debate Club hasn't done much this week, as our debate literature hasn't arrived yet. When it does come we'll make things hum. We have a fine club this year and hope to better the record made by our boys last year. And that will be going some. The attendance has been good, and the members have been working with a will.

High School Class Reunions.

On Monday and Tuesday evenings of this week the of the year (year deleted by the aforesaid H. S. girls) held a very jolly reunion at the homes of two of its members in this city.

Monday night they were entertained at the home of Miss Lulu Short on Broadway, at a six o'clock dinner, after which a very pleasant evening was spent by the ladies in talking over the episodes of their school days.

Tuesday evening they were entertained by Miss Nina Culver, at her home on Ohio street, with another six o'clock dinner and a slumber party.

The out of town members of the class who attended were Mrs. Mabel Douglass, of Manhattan, Kansas, and Mrs. Quintus Kanne, of Everett, Washington.

McFarland Cattle in the Kansas City Stock Yards Fire.

The McFarlands, of this city, lost 373 head or ten car loads of one and two year old steers in the fire that destroyed the Kansas City stock yards Tuesday morning. Charles McFarland had arrived from the Panhandle of Texas with the cattle Sunday intending to place them on the market Tuesday morning. He came on to Butler to spend a few days with his family before returning to Texas and on Tuesday morning received a telegram from his commission house that the cattle had been burned.

As all cattle going into the Kansas City stock yards are insured, the loss to the McFarlands will not be very great.

Piersoll Confesses.

Marshfield, Mo., Oct. 16.—Following close on the heels of his conviction and sentence to 35 years in the penitentiary, Claude J. Piersoll is reported today to have confessed to his attorneys his part in the kidnapping of Baby Lloyd Keet.

Prosecuting Attorney Paul M. O'Day announced today he had heard that Piersoll had confessed, implicating the mysterious "Mr. Scarface" Riley and another unidentified man. "I expect important arrests soon," O'Day said.

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